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# **POLITICS**

### **IRAQ INSPECTORS**

### Oct 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :40)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that Saddam Hussein and UN Weapons Inspectors agreed on the terms in which inspectors will return to Iraq to check for weapons of mass destruction. Iraq will not allow the inspection of the presidential palaces as demanded by the US.

### **DAVIS/SIMON POLL**

### Oct 1, 9-10pm newscast (TRT :31)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that an LA Times poll shows that Governor Davis is widening his lead over Republican Bill Simon. In the latest poll 45 percent preferred Davis and 35 percent preferred Simon.

### **US TALIBAN SENTENCE**

### Oct 3, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:38)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that American Intelligence Agencies have no clear proof that Al-Qaida was planning two even bigger attacks to follow September 11<sup>th</sup>. American Taliban, John Walker Lindh, claimed that 9/11 was the first and mildest of three planned attacks.

### PORT/HARMAN

# Oct 4, 9-10pm newscast (TRT :35)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that there is still no resolution to the dispute between west coast dockworkers and shippers. 29 ports up and down the west coast have been shut down since Sunday. The standoff is costing the economy an estimated one billion dollars a day.

### **AL QAEDA ARREST**

# Oct 4, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:58)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that Attorney General John Ashcroft announced the arrests of four people in Oregon and Michigan on charges of conspiring to wage war on the US and supporting Al-Qaida. A package followed.

### LATINO SUPPORT

### Oct 7, 9-10pm newscast (TRT :29)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that a group of Latino lawmakers in the State Legislature withdrew support for Governor Davis. The

group dumped Davis because he vetoed a measure that would have allowed illegal immigrants to get drivers' licenses.

### RECALL COOLEY

### Oct 9, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:33)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that people are outraged because LA's District Attorney Steve Cooley refused to file hate crime charges in the beating of two gay men in West Hollywood. Cooley insisted that there is not enough evidence to file hate crime charges.

### SIMON PICTURE

### Oct 10, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:45)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that Governor Gray Davis called on Bill Simon to drop out of the race for governor. Simon publicly accused Davis of illegal fundraising and now those allegations have proved false.

### SIMON/GIULIANI

# Oct 13, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:36)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that Rudy Giuliani came to Burbank to endorse Bill Simon as California's next governor. Bill Simon once worked for Giuliani when the former mayor was a federal prosecutor.

### **BUSH / RESOLUTION**

### Oct 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:43)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that President Bush signed a resolution that will allow him to use military force against Iraq. US troops are training in the Kuwaiti Desert for a possible invasion of Iraq.

### **NORTH KOREA NUKE**

# Oct 17, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:54)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that North Korea admits that it has a nuclear weapons program. The Untied States is calling on Korea to stop producing weapons. A package followed.

### PRISONERS FREED

### Oct 21, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :30)

KCAL9 anchor Dilva Henry reported that thousands of prisoners in Iraq were suddenly set free. Saddam Hussein's government says it is part of a nationwide amnesty. Hussein says the men will now be good sons and will defend Iraq in case of enemy attack.

#### **PROP 46**

# Oct 22, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:02)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that Proposition 46 would generate more than two billion dollars for low-income housing. It would also fund construction of battered women's shelters. A package on the proposition followed.

# **IRAQ LATEST**

# Oct 23, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:41)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that the Bush Administration is still trying to push a resolution through the United Nations that forces Iraq to comply with weapons inspections. The US has been trying for an Iraqi resolution for six weeks now.

### **MEXICO APEC**

# Oct 24, 3-4pm newscast (TRT :28)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that Russia's hostage crisis is keeping that country's president from joining other World leaders at an economic summit in Cabo San Lucas Mexico. The group is looking for ways to unite 21 economies in more prosperous trade.

### **SCHWARZENEGGER**

# Oct 25, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:21)

KCAL9 anchor Dilva Henry reported that actor Arnold Schwarzenegger supports Proposition 49. The proposition requires the state to spend as much as \$550 million a year on before and after school programs without raising taxes.

### FOLEY KILLED

# Oct 28, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:35)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that American Diplomat Laurence Foley was assassinated outside his home in Amman, Jordan. Nobody has come forward to claim responsibility for the attack.

### DAVIS/NATHANSON

# Oct 29, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:02)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Bryan reported that Former Coastal Commissioner Mark Nathanson accused Gray Davis of shaking down rich coastal residents for campaign contributions. The letter that contained these allegations was unsealed and the charges took center stage on the campaign trail. A package followed.

# WEST BANK AFTERMATH Oct 30, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :35)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that lawmakers are unable to agree on funding for Jewish settlements and are breaking up the coalition. This means early elections and damage to the efforts by the US to forge a peace plan.

### **MONDALE**

# Oct 31, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:35)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that Walter Mondale was nominated to replace the late Senator Paul Wellstone who died last week in a plane crash.

### **BALIBOMBS**

### Oct 31, 9-10pm newscast (TRT :27)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that nearly 200 people were killed in the October 12<sup>th</sup> attack in Bali. Australian experts say they have evidence that the bombings were carried out by experts who showed a high degree of planning. Both Australia and Indonesia have named Al-Qaeda and a radical Islamic organization as the main suspects in the attack.

### **TOUCH SCREEN VOTING**

### Nov 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that this is the last day for LA County residents to try out touch screen voting machines. People have been allowed to vote early on touch screen machines as an alternative to absentee ballots.

### PEOPLE VOTING

### Nov 5, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:41)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that the overall percentage of voter turnout is expected to be low this year. Reporter Josh Rubenstein followed with a live report from Hollywood.

### **PROP 51**

# Nov 5, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:50)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that Proposition 51 would divert hundreds of millions of dollars from a general fund to transportation and other projects. Reporter Michele Gile was live in Irvine with reaction about Proposition 51.

### TRAUMA CARE

### Nov 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:26)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that voters approved Measure B and health care workers are celebrating. The measure calls for a new tax to help the country's financially troubled trauma centers. Reporter Linda Alvarez was live in Torrance with reaction.

#### VALLEY SECESSION

# Nov 6, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:45)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that both Hollywood and the San Fernando Valley failed in their attempt to split from Los Angeles. The secession measure got enough votes to pass in the Valley, but not enough from Los Angeles.

### GEPHARDT/BUSH

# Nov 7, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:33)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that Republicans are preparing to take full control of both houses in Congress and Gephardt is preparing to step down. Political Reporter Dave Bryan followed with a package on President Bush's agenda.

### **BISHOPS CONFER**

# Nov 12, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:44)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that American Catholic Bishops would vote tomorrow on a plan to crack down on priests who molest children. The new plan also hold bishops responsible for dealing with abusive priests or face the consequences themselves.

### **PELOSI**

# Nov 14, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:37)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that House Democrats have made San Francisco Representative Nancy Pelosi the first woman ever to lead a political party in Congress. Reporter Linda Breakstone followed with a package.

### **WIRETAP**

# Nov 18, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:28)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that a special panel of judges made a landmark decision regarding the Patriot Act. The act allows the FBI and Justice Department to have a greater ability to listen to phone conversations, read e-mail, and search private property.

### **BUSH NATO**

# Nov 19, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:04)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that President Bush is in the Czech Republic for his first meeting with Nato Allies. Bush hopes to

redefine Nato's mission and to win support for possible military action against Saddam Hussein if necessary.

### **BUSH PUTIN**

# Nov 22, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:29)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that Russian President Vladimir Putin suggested that the US concentrate on catching Osama Bin Laden rather than fighting Saddam Hussein. Bush and Putin met in St. Petersburg and issued a statement calling for Iraq's disarmament.

### **GOV SPECIAL SESSION**

# Nov 22, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:34)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that Governor Davis called the State Legislature into a special session next month to deal with the soaring budget deficit. The state could be as short as much as \$25 billion.

### **HOMELAND SECURITY**

# Nov 25, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:34)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that President Bush signed the Homeland Security Department into law. The department's mission is to keep America safe from acts of terrorism. Political reporter Dave Bryan followed with a package.

### **IRAQ INSPECTORS**

# Nov 26, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:30)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that for the first time in four years UN Weapons Inspectors are back in Iraq looking for weapons of mass destruction. Political reporter Dave Bryan followed with a package.

### **BIN LADEN TAPE**

# Nov 29, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:34)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that a Swiss Research Institute believes that the tape of Osama Bin Laden released by the Al Jazeera Network is a fake. The US Government believes the tape is real. Experts say the tape will probably never be authenticated because of its poor quality.

### **KENYA ATTACKS**

### Dec 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :31)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that the Israeli Government says Osama Bin Laden's Al Qaeda Network remains the prime suspect in the hotel suicide bombing in Kenya. Kenya's president is scheduled to meet with president Bush at the White House to discuss the attack.

### **IRAQ PALACES**

# Dec 3, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:05)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that UN Weapons Inspectors made an unannounced stop at one of Saddam Hussein's palatial residences. A package followed.

### CALIF BUDGET CUTS

# Dec 6, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:29)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that Governor Davis proposed cuts to make up about half of California's \$21 billion budget shortfall. The largest cuts will come from education, but health and welfare programs will also be cut. The State Legislature will start a special session to take up Davis' proposed cuts.

### **ASSAULT WEAPONS**

### Dec 6, 10-11pm newscast (TRT :22)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that the Ninth District Court of Appeals voted to uphold California's ban on assault weapons. Gun owners challenged the ban saying it infringed on their Second Amendment Rights. The case is expected to go to the Supreme Court.

### **CARTER NOBEL**

# Dec 10, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:41)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that former President Jimmy Carter accepted the Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo Norway. Carter was awarded the prize for his more than 20 years of efforts to promote peace.

### **DAVIS BANNED**

# Dec 12, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:36)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that Governor Davis was banned from playing Santa Claus at Saint Patrick's Home for Children in Sacramento because of his position on abortion. A package followed.

### LOTT

### Dec 12, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:40)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that Senator Trent Lott resigned just 17 days before he was to become majority leader. Lott did not have voters support after a remark he made that was perceived as racist. Political Reporter Dave Bryan followed with a package on Lott's downfall.

### **KISSINGER RESIGNS**

# Dec 13, 4-5pm newscast (TRT:13)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that Henry Kissinger stepped down as chairman of a panel investigating the September 11<sup>th</sup> attacks. Kissinger heads a consulting firm and there is concern about a potential conflict of interest.

### **GORE ANNOUNCEMENT**

### Dec 15, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:43)

KCAL9 anchor Jaime Garza reported that Al Gore might have won the popular vote, but a 36-day recount and a Supreme Court decision kept Gore from winning the 2000 presidential election. Gore announced that he would not run in 2004. Reporter Nikki Jackson followed with a package.

### LOTT TODAY

### Dec 22, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:23)

KCAL9 anchor Jaime Garza reported that Senator Trent Lott is taking some of the blame for his demise as GOP Leader. Lott says there are other factors that caused him to lose his position. He will return to the Senate in January, but not in a leadership position. A package followed.

### **FRIST**

# Dec 23, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:02)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that Republicans chose Tennessee's Bill Frist as Majority Leader. Frist was a heart surgeon and will take over when the Senate returns from its holiday break. Political reporter Dave Bryan followed with a package.

### **KOREA NUKES**

# Dec 27, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:35)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that President Bush denounced North Korea for ordering UN Inspectors to leave the country. North Korea announced it would re-activate a lab able to produce weapons-grade plutonium. Military experts say North Korea is playing a game of nuclear brinkmanship.

### **NORTH KOREA**

# Dec 30, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that leaders in North Korea say they want to sit down with US leaders and talk. The Bush Administration has ruled out talks unless North Korea gives up its nuclear ambitions. Reporter Elizabeth Sanchez followed with a package from Washington DC.

### **IRAQ TODAY**

# Dec 31, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:15)

KCAL9 anchor Dilva Henry reported that President Bush spoke from his ranch in Crawford, Texas about increasing tensions in Korea and Iraq. The president said he is confident a diplomatic solution can be reached in the North Korea nuclear standoff. Bush also said he fears Saddam Hussein has not heard the message and Iraq may be headed into war with the US.

# CRIME

### **GREYHOUND BUS**

# Oct 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:16)

KCAL9 reporter Jennifer Davis reported that investigators say it was a passenger on the bus that suddenly attacked the driver for no apparent reason. The driver careened off the road flipping the bus and killing two people last night in Coalinga.

### **MARTHA STEWART**

### Oct 2, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:04)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported prosecutors are tuning up the heat on Martha Stewart who has denied receiving insider information before a stock trade.

### **INFANT BOY HURT**

### Oct 4, 9-10pm newscast (TRT :20)

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported breaking news. A man who ran from the scene of an accident leaving his critically injured infant son behind is in custody. John Steidinger, 23, was arrested at home in Bakersfield and booked on felony hit and run and felony child endangerment.

### **VIDEOTAPED BEATING**

# Oct 7, 4-4:30pm newscast (TRT:35)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that there would be no deal for the mother who was caught on tape beating her daughter. Madeline Toogood was taken into custody after a surveillance tape was given to police. It showed Toogood severely beating her four-year-old daughter in a parking log.

### **DRIVEWAY SHOOTING**

# Oct 8, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:06)

KCAL9 reporter Glen Walker reported that a manhunt is on for a man police say shot a man who splashed his parked pickup truck while watering his lawn. The home was on Everett Avenue in the City of Orange.

### **CARJACKING SPREE**

# Oct 10, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:54)

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported that a man was recovering after being shot during an attempted carjacking. The man was the latest victim in a string of carjackings that have plagued the Mid-Wilshire area.

### **SNIPER TONIGHT**

### Oct 11, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:51)

KCAL9 reporter Nikki Jackson reported a man pumping gas is gunned down by a single bullet making this the 10<sup>th</sup> victim in 10 days of a serial sniper in Virginia.

### DRAGGED BODY

### Oct 14, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:11)

KCAL9 reporter Jay Jackson reported that police were on the hunt for a cold blooded killer they believe murdered a Hacienda Heights girl then dragged for miles by the killer's car and dumped in the street.

### LITTLE LEAGUE RAPE

### Oct 15, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:36)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported there are serious allegations of a gang rape against several members of a Chula Vista little league team. The alleged rape of a 15-year-old girl took place in a hotel in Scottsdale, Arizona where the team played last July.

### **GAY BASHING**

# Oct 18, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:43)

KCAL9 reporter Nikki Jackson reported residents of West Hollywood are on edge after the recent attacks on gay men and what is being done to keep people safe.

### **GUN PROTECTION**

# Oct 21, 4-4:30pm newscast (TRT :38)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported city leaders have formed a new agency to crack down on illegal guns. It's the city's first gun prosecution unit with three full time gun prosecutors.

### **GIRL ASSAULTED**

# Oct 21, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:13)

KCAL9 reporter Sarah Acevedo reported a warning to young girls in Panorama City. A sexual predator is on the loose. Police say he sexually assaulted a 14-year-old girl as she was walking to school Friday.

### **SNIPER LATEST**

Oct 24, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:50)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported authorities believe two men arrested are the Washington area snipers who killed 10 people and wounded 3 others. The two suspects were arrested overnight at a rest stop in Frederick, Maryland just miles from many of the sniper attacks. One of the suspects is John Muhammad who is due in federal court.

### **OFFICER MORSE**

### Oct 25, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT:35)

KCAL9 anchor Jaime Garza reported that Jeremy Morse, the Inglewood officer who was videotaped beating teenager Donovan Jackson has been fired and faces criminal charges.

### **VENICE SHOOTING**

# Oct 28, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported a nine year old girl was hit in the chest by a bullet during a car to car shooting and is hospitalized in stable condition. Police say bullets started flying when two men rolled up alongside a family's vehicle and one of them opened fire.

### BRATTON

### Oct 29, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:30)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that the LAPD's new chief is beginning to set his agenda. He wants to reduce crime and make the city safe. His first target is Hollywood and Macarthur Park.

### **DEPUTIES SHOT**

# Oct 30, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:35)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that two deputies were shot and wounded during a drug investigation in Hemet. They were called to respond to an anonymous tip about drug activity. Both deputies were hospitalized but their wounds are not life threatening.

### KIDNAP INVESTIGATION

# Oct 31, 9-10pm newscast (TRT :40)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported a West Covina woman kidnapped at gunpoint two days ago turned up safe. Sixty-year-old Angelina Bejarano was taken at gunpoint by two men when she answered a knock at her door. Less than 48 hours later she turned up at a hospital in Sun Valley. Some arrests have been made, but the whereabouts of the main suspect is still unknown.

### **TOXICOLOGY MURDER**

# Nov 2, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:10)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported a southland woman is accused of using her knowledge as a toxicologist to kill her husband after he allegedly discovered she was having an affair with her boss.

### MISSING GIRL

# Nov 3, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:40)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported police are looking for a man accused of kidnapping his 14-year-old girlfriend. Detectives say Leidia Santiago left her mother a note saying she had been taken by her boyfriend.

### **DAUGHTER CHAINED**

### Nov 5, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:20

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported a Fullerton jury has convicted a father of misdemeanor false imprisonment for chaining his 21-year-old daughter to a bed for disobeying him and his wife by seeing a married man. The panel rejected felony false imprisonment charges against David Avila and his wife Guadalupe Mata.

### RYDER DELIBERATION

### Nov 6, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:07)

KCAL9 reporter Paul Dandridge reported actress Winona Ryder was convicted of grand theft and vandalism from her shoplifting spree at Sax Fifth Avenue.

### **SLA GUILTY PLEA**

# Nov 7, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:18)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that four former members of the Symbionese Liberation Army pleaded guilty to murdering a woman during a 1975 bank robbery.

#### **BELMOT SHORE**

# Nov 11, 9-10pm newscast (TRT :32)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported a man suspected of being the elusive Belmont Shore rapist is in custody. Police say they arrested 32-year-old Mark Rathbun. DNA linked Rathbun to the latest attack.

### MALVO IN COURT

# Nov 15, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:21)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported a judge in Virginia refused to make jail life better for sniper suspect john Malvo. The 17-year-old's attorneys say he is being denied basic rights. They say his mattress is to thin, his cell lights glare around the clock and he is being denied vegetarian meals.

### WHITE SUPREMACISTS

# Nov 18, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT:32)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported a Long Beach man and an Orange County woman have been arrested for allegedly participating in domestic terrorism. Both are accused of being with the Brandenburg Division of the Neo-Nazi Aryan Nations and Woman for Aryan Unity.

### CARSON BODY

# Nov 21, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:28)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported Sheriff's investigators are asking for the public's help in identifying a woman who's dead body was dumped on an access road of the southbound 405 freeway in Carson.

### SHOOTINGS/BRATTON

# Nov 25, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:33)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported the new police chief William Bratton says he can't solve the crime problem alone and sat down with Black religious leaders to discuss solutions. He said fighting crime would be a team effort.

### **BORDER MURDER**

# Nov 26, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:51)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported ten immigrant men heading north from Mexico were all shot execution style and their bodies were left in the Arizona desert sun. Investigators are trying to solve a mysterious rash of border killings.

### **HUMAN REMAINS**

# Nov 27, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :31)

KCAL9 anchor Jaime Garza reported police in Whittier have confirmed that a body found is that of a child. State Department of transportation workers found the body near a freeway on November 23<sup>rd</sup> and appears to be a child between 6 and 8 years old.

### **DEPYTY CHILD ABUSE**

# Nov 27, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:28)

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported a sheriff's sergeant and a school administrator are on trial for what prosecutors are calling inhumane abuse. The couple is accused of forcing their 16-year-old son to take nude pictures and carry dog feces to school in his backpack. They say it is just a case of tough love.

### PARADE BOMB SCARE

# Dec 1, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:23)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported there was a suspicious package scare at the  $71^{\rm st}$  annual Hollywood Christmas parade. Police evacuated thousands in the crowd after discovering an unattended bag. Luckily, it was a false alarm.

### **ACCIDENT LEAD**

### Dec 3, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:52)

KCAL9 reporters Sandra Mitchell and Juan Fernandez reported a pursuit ended with two smashed cars and a newborn that lost part of his arm.

### **HATE CRIMES**

# Dec 3, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:43)

KCAL9 reporter Katherine Blake reported that the community of North Hollywood is being barraged with anti-Semitic flyers.

### LAPD MOBILE SUBSTATION

### Dec 3, 10-11pm newscast (TRT :41)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported the LAPD has three new mobile substations ready to roll to major crime scenes. The new vehicles are assigned to the Pacific, Van Nuys and Devonshire area police stations.

### FBI BILLBOARD

# Dec 6, 10-11pm newscast (TRT :20)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported the FBI has been putting up its most wanted posters in post offices for years. Now, its trying a new approach and putting the names and faces of some wanted criminals out for passing motorists to see.

### RYDER SENTENCING

# Dec 6, 10-11pm newscast (TRT :45)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported Winona Ryder was sentenced to 400 hours of community service, drug counseling, restitution and fines for felony shoplifting and vandalism.

### OFFICER DOWN

### Dec 6, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:29)

KCAL9 reporter Sandra Mitchell reported a Los Angeles police officer is recovering from surgery after he was shot by a man reportedly waving a shotgun on a busy street.

### **BABY FOUND**

# Dec 10, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:58)

KCAL9 reporter Juan Fernandez reported the body of a newborn baby was found wrapped in plastic on the beach in Long Beach.

### CHILD ATTACKER

### Dec 13, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 2:09)

KCAL9 reporter Jay Jackson reported police are looking for a rapist who has attacked schoolgirls in the Los Feliz area for years. Authorities say he assaults his victims on a well-traveled bridge that kids regularly pass to and from school.

### **AVILA ARRAIGNMENT**

### Dec 13, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:31)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported the lawyer defending Alejandro Avila says the sate is trying to kill him. A not guilty plea was entered for Avila. He is charged with kidnapping and killing 5-year-old Samantha Runnion.

### **UCLA RAPE**

### Dec 13, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT:40)

KCAL9 Dave Gonzales reported prosecutors want to try three Carson teens as adults for the gang rape of a UCLA student. Police say the boys were on a school field trip to the University when they attacked the woman in her dorm room. The high school students are 16 and 17.

### **EXPLOSIVES FOUND**

# Dec 15, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:20)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported a bomb squad was on scene at a storage unit in Riverside where a stash of explosives was found. Officials evacuated businesses and residences in a square block area and have arrested a suspect.

### **BURNED BODY**

# Dec 15, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported authorities are hoping an autopsy will help determine if a burned body is that of an abducted security guard from a City of Commerce business. The body was found in a Buena Park trashcan.

### **BABY FOUND**

# Dec 16, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:36)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported authorities are looking for the parents f a baby found abandoned. A passer by discovered the day old

Latino boy in an alley near Makee Avenue and 66<sup>th</sup> street in the Florence area. The baby is in stable condition.

### **IRVINE MURDER**

# Dec 22, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:59)

KCAL9 reporter Michael Brownlee reported that Irvine police have a murder case on their hands. They say a driver shot and killed his female passenger then, may have turned the gun on himself. He is alive and in custody.

### **WOMAN RUN OVER**

# Dec 22, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported a woman is in critical condition after being run over by a car in Long Beach. The accident, which happened at a Jack in the Box parking lot is under investigation.

### **BABY STORE ROBBERY**

# Dec 24, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Leanne Suter reported that holiday shoppers in Panorama City were terrified when a couple of robbers hit a Baby's R Us store. One man held a gun on a store employee while the other man acted as a lookout. They made off with about four thousand dollars.

### NITE KIDNAPPED GIRL

# Dec 27, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:04)

KCAL9 reporter Sandra Mitchell reported a 12-year-old girl is missing and believed to have been kidnapped. Her abductor may have fled with her to Mexico.

### TRUNK BODY

# Dec 27, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:20)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported a body was found in the trunk of a parked car along the southbound 605 freeway. The 605 was shut down two lanes during rush hour traffic.

### **FBI WANTED MEN**

# Dec 29, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:31)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported the FBI is seeking the public's help in finding 5 men for questioning. All are of Arab decent and apparently entered the US illegally the previous week.

### CHIEF/DUI DRIVERS

Dec 31, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:37)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported the LAPD and other agencies were cracking down on drunk drivers on New Year's Eve. Chief William Bratton sent out the warning in the Foothill area where a young mother and her baby were run over and killed last year.

# **HEALTH & MEDICINE**

### **BLOOD TYPE WEIGHT**

### Oct 2, 12-1PM newscast (TRT 2:14)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported that one's blood type may determine what type of diet works best and there is now a diet based solely on blood type.

### **HEART RISKS**

### Oct 4, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:18)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter reported many Americans are at risk for heart disease and not even know it. She gives information that may help determine who is at risk.

### SOY MILK/ADHD

### Oct 7, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:23)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported that researchers say soymilk may be the ingredient that causes many behavioral problems in young children because of a mineral found in soy called manganese. UC Irvine researchers found high doses of the mineral could lead to hyperactivity or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder.

### MILK CHOLESTEROL

### Oct 8, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:22)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported that a study of Mediterranean populations shows that milk could prevent high blood pressure.

### **EPHEDRA WARINING**

# Oct 8, 4-4:30pm newscast (TRT :35)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that parents who lost a son who died after taking the supplement Ephedra asked the senate to make changes on the label.

### **OBESE KIDS**

### Oct 10, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:42)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that a doctor has designed a computer program for kids to help keep them from becoming obese as kids that can lead to being unhealthy as adults.

### **PARKINSONS**

# Oct 14, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported on a new study that shows a promising new treatment to slow the progression of Parkinson's disease.

### **FLU SHOTS**

# Oct 16, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:1:42)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported why doctors think it is so important to get flu shots. The vaccines are in and people are lining up.

### **VEGGIE TEENS**

# Oct 17, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:52)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported that more and more teens are declaring themselves vegetarian and a new study suggests these young people are getting proper nutrition.

### **AUTISM STUDY**

# Oct 18, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:57)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported that the rate at which Autism is growing in California is staggering with nine new cases a day. Some doctors say it is likely genetic or environmental and others insist it has everything to do with better ways of detecting Autism.

### ORGANIC FOODS

# Oct 21, 8-9pm newscast (TRT :36)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that strict new government guidelines determining just what can be labeled organic went into effect today.

### **GOOD FATS**

# Oct 22, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:47)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported that while it is true that some fats wreak havoc on our hearts and hips, some fats are very good for our health.

### **BREAST TUMOR**

### Oct 23, 2-3pm newscast (TRT :39)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported there has been a major breakthrough in the fight to treat and prevent breast cancer. Researchers at a Laboratory in Long Island have discovered that many breast cancer patients are missing a gene called DBC2, which suppresses tumors.

### **SLEEP FLU SHOT**

# Oct 24, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:20)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported that researchers at the University of Chicago believe that a lack of sleep may reduce the effectiveness of flu vaccines.

### **OSTEOPOROSIS**

# Oct 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :36)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported that a new medical study shows men are also at risk for getting the bone thinning disease, Osteoporosis. Researchers at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital in Houston believe men who suffer hip fractures are at the highest risk.

### **BABY SIGNS**

# Oct 29, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:57)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported that there is a way to teach babies to communicate before they can even talk. It's called Baby Sign Language.

# **ORAL HEALTH**

# Oct 30, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:30)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported that the mouth can reveal a lot about one's health without saying a work. More dentists are now being trained to understand how problems in the mouth can pinpoint serious problems somewhere else in the body.

# **BABY VACCINES**

# Oct 31, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported parents have question and worries about whether or not to immunized their new babies. Dilva explains the benefits and risks of vaccinations.

# **MAMMOSITE**

# Nov. 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:41)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported women with early stage breast cancer typically have a lumpectomy followed by weeks of radiation. That standard treatment is now changing with the use of a new devise approved by the FDA that allows patients return to a normal life much sooner.

# SLEEP TIME

# Nov 4, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:36)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported that researchers at the university of Arizona have found the time you go to bed matters just

as much as how many hours you sleep. It's a good idea for parents to get their children in the habit of a set bedtime. A set sleeping schedule is also recommended for adults.

### **SPOUSE PAINS**

# Nov 5, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:20)

KCAL9 News Anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that a new study shows too much attention to your partners back pain can make it worse. German researchers say there can be up to three times more brain activity when a person in pain is being babied.

### **BUBONIC PLAGUE**

# Nov 7, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:59)

KCAL9 News Anchor Mia Lee reported that for the first time in more than a century, the Bubonic Plague may have infected a couple visiting New York City. Doctors have not conclusively diagnosed the couple with the bacterial disease but they are being treated the man is on life support.

### **AUTISM CENTER**

# Nov 8, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:54)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported that Autism is a brain disorder causing mild to severe limitation in speech and social interaction. Now there's a program in Los Angeles for autistic children making a big difference in their ability to communicate.

### RAPID HIV TEST

# Nov 8, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:35)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported about an important advancement in the battle against AIDS. The food and drug Administration has approved a test to detect HIV in just 20 minutes.

### **NURSE HEARING**

# Nov 15, 4-4:30pm newscast (TRT :40)

KCAL9 News Anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that California could become the first state to limit the amount of patients assigned to each nurse. Hundreds of nurses were meeting for a hearing with the California Department of health to complain that their patient load is too heavy and they are not able to give patients the care they deserve.

### ROBOT SURGERY

Nov 19, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:35)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported robotics have been used in place of traditional surgical methods in twelve different operations and the results are staggering. Patients are able to return to their normal activities in half the time as with traditional open-heart surgery.

### SCHIZOPHRENIA RISK

### Nov 22, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:40)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported UCLA scientists say some infants with what is called "RH factor" are twice as likely to develop schizophrenia. These RH-positive children had RH-negative mothers. The immune system of an RH-negative mother can attack the RH-positive child's red blood cells depriving the brain of oxygen.

### JUNK FOOD BRAIN

# Nov 22, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported a study from the University Florida shows junk food could increase your brainpower. Many kids are already eating lots of pizza, French fries and sweets and the study shows high energy foods give your brain a short-tern boost and may improve test scores.

### POT/PSYCHATRIC

# Nov 25, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT :10)

KCAL9 News Anchor Mia Lee reported a new report shows marijuana may lead to schizophrenia. Scientists say smoking pot increases the risk of psychiatric disorder by 30 percent. Other reports in the British medical journal links marijuana to other emotional problems including depression and anxiety.

### **UCLA ARTERY**

# Nov 27, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:35)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported a first of its kind surgery on the west coast is making health news. The procedure by heart surgeons at UCLA Medical Center may mean less pain and scarring for patients. Surgeons have removed an artery from the patient's wrist to be used in heart bypass surgery. It's different from technology used in the past, which takes the vein from the leg.

### **FOOD POISONING**

# Nov 27, 2p-3p newscast (TRT:39)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported health officials want to make sure you're serving up safe food on thanksgiving. According to the center for disease control and prevention 76-million Americans get sick from food borne illnesses each year. To be safe use separate serving utensils for each dish and don't leave food out longer than two hours.

### **HOLIDAY DEPRESSION**

# Nov 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:41)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported that researchers are recruiting for a nationwide study on seasonal depression. Doctors are particularly interested in elderly Americans and are hoping to pinpoint the causes of holiday depression in hopes of finding a cure.

### **MOUNTAIN BIKING**

# Dec 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported men who mountain bike a lot might be affecting their fertility. The Austrian study suggests that frequent jolts and vibrations caused by biking over rough terrain may cause small scars within the scrotum and reduced sperm production.

### **BABY FLU SHOTS**

# Dec 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:20)

KCAL9 Medical Reporter Dilva Henry reported the American Academy of Pediatrics is encouraging flu shots for all healthy children from 6 months up to 2-years old. Recent data shows young children are hospitalized with the flu at least as often as adults over 50 for whom yearly flu shots are recommended.

### **BODY SCAN**

### Dec 3, 10-11pm newscast (TRT :25)

KCAL9 News Anchor Kerry Kilbride reported there are questions being raised about full body scans. The scans give doctors a view into the body from the neck to pelvis with a CT scan machine, but a new study finds that the scans of them find harmless abnormalities that can lead to invasive, anxiety producing follow-up tests.

### **CDC FLU SHOTS**

# Dec 6, 10-11pm newscast (TRT :30)

KCAL9 News Anchor Kerry Kilbride reported if you want to stay healthy you should get a flu shot. The flu season peaks between January and March, especially for anyone over 65.

### **VENDING WATER**

# Dec 10, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:30)

KCAL9 News Anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that two environmental groups are filing suit against the largest water vending machine

company in the state. The environmental groups tested more than 200 vending machines from glacier water services and found that many machines failed state health standards and frequently contained harmful chemicals linked to cancer and birth defects.

### STANFORD CLONING

# Dec 6, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:30)

KCAL9 News Anchor Kerry Kilbride reported if you want to stay healthy you should get a flu shot. The flu season peaks between January and March, especially for anyone over 65.

### **CDC FLU SHOTS**

# Dec 10, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:04)

KCAL9 News Pat Harvey reported that Stanford University announced plans for a human embryo-cloning project making it the first US school to participate in the controversial research. Stanford insists it's advancing science for cancer treatment.

### STUDY/ECHINACEA

# Dec 13, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:23)

KCAL9 News Anchor Dave Gonzales reported a Wisconsin study shows the herbal remedy called Echinacea does not work. The research found placebos were just as effective as Echinacea pills in treating cold symptoms.

# **NEW VACCINE**

# Dec 13, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :18)

KCAL9 reporter Joel Connable reported a new vaccine approved by the FDA could drop the number of early childhood vaccinations from 9 to just 3.

### VACCINE ANNOUNCED

# Dec 13, 4-4:30pm newscast (TRT:45)

KCAL9 News Sylvia Lopez reported that President Bush announced his plans to vaccinate half a million military and civilian defense workers first for the smallpox virus to protect Americans against a terrorist attack.

#### **HEALTH WHIP**

# Dec 19, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:50)

KCAL9 News Anchor Dave Gonzales reported many people are in constant search of that perfect product to get rid of their wrinkles and now there is a cream that claims it's secret ingredient is DNA.

### SKIN DIET

### Dec 27, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:08)

KCAL9 reporter Leanne Suter reported there is a program that claims you can improve your skin simply by changing your diet.

# **CLONE BABY**

# Dec 29, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:30)

KCAL9 News Anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that a religious cult claims to have cloned the world's first human has brought baby "Eve" to the United States.

### **MOLDY POT**

# Dec 31, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:21)

KCAL9 News Anchor Mia Lee reported that police raided a Santa Cruz home and seized marijuana plants the owner says he uses for medical conditions. Police put the pot in bags and it spoiled making it ineffective. Even with the Compassionate use act in California, many law enforcement agencies still don't recognize marijuana as medicine.

# **COMMUNITY & MINORITY ISSUES**

### RIDER SAFETY

# Oct 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:42)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that an attack is causing concern among bus passengers. Reporter Lora McLaughlin was live in Downtown LA talking with bus passengers.

### **DE LA HOYA**

# Oct 2, 8-9pm newscast (TRT :30)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that the City council and Mayor Jim Hahn made October 3<sup>rd</sup> Oscar De La Hoya Day in the City of Los Angeles. The boxer was honored for his charitable and community-oriented work in his Boyle Heights neighborhood.

### **BRATTON TODAY**

# Oct 4, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:40)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that the nominee for Los Angeles Police Chief, William Bratton, said the LAPD is not doing a good job going after crime. Bratton says community policing will be a major focus of his administration.

### **JACKIE CHAN STAR**

# Oct 4, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:20)

KCAL9 anchor Jaime Garza reported that Jackie Chan received a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

### LAX FEDERAL SECURITY

# Oct 7, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:35)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that 450 new Federal screeners were sworn in at LAX. All screeners have completed 40 hours of classroom training and will undergo 60 hours of on-site instruction from federal mobile security screeners. LAX will eventually have the nation's largest federal screening workforce.

### **1975 WALLET**

# Oct 10, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:46)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that a wallet lost in 1975 was returned to 81-year-old Roy Huff when a man who was hiking on a trail in the Eastern Sierras where Huff lost the wallet found it.

### **MALDEF GIFT**

# Oct 14, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:42)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund received a million-dollar donation from businessman and philanthropist Luis Nogales. The donation will help the organization work for immigrants' rights to education, health care, and good jobs.

### OC AIRPORT

### Oct 16, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:30)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that 170 new airport passenger screeners are now working at John Wayne Airport. Federal passenger screeners are already on the job at LAX, Burbank-Van Nuys, and Ontario Airports.

### **WOMEN SKYDIVE**

### Oct 18, 8-9pm newscast (TRT :39)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that women from across the country and ten other nations have been jumping out of planes in Perris to raise money for breast cancer research. The women are hoping to raise money for breast cancer research.

### **METRORAIL NIGHT**

### Oct 18, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:41)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that a full hour of service will be added to several night trains. LA has more off peak train traffic than anywhere else in the country.

#### ROSE

# Oct 21, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:24)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that hundreds of people are marching from Olympic Boulevard and Broadway to Parker Center as part of the National Day of Protest. This is an annual event to protest police brutality.

### **GUN PROTECTION**

# Oct 21, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:38)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that the city now has its first Gun Prosecution Unit. Some of the new Gun prosecutor's duties are to crack down on people with gun licenses not complying with city ordinances and tracing the sources of illegally sold firearms.

### LB MEMORIAL STRIKE

### Oct 24, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:19)

KCAL9 anchor Dilva Henry reported that nurses at Long Beach who walked off the job for 24 hours are now trying to walk back on the job.

Reporter Jennifer Davis followed with a package that explained why it was not easy for them to return to work.

### **HOSPITAL CLOSURE**

# Oct 28, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:37)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that Assemblyman Keith Richman is asking for help from Governor Davis over the expected vote to close down Olive View Hospital and Harbor General Hospital. Richman says the shut downs would be devastating for county health care.

### **SEX OFFENDERS**

# Oct 28, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that sex offenders must now also register at local college campuses so schools will have detailed information on who is taking classes and who is teaching them. Anyone can access an inter-state database with information about sex offenders.

### **ANGELS RALLY**

# Oct 29, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:54)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that tens of thousands of Angels fans came to Anaheim to celebrate a Cinderella Season and World Series win. Reporters Katherine Blake and Lora McLaughlin were live with coverage on this big event.

# MAHONY STAFF Q

# Oct 31, 3-4pm newscast (TRT :40)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that the Los Angeles Archdiocese lashed out at published reports surrounding the abrupt resignations of five of its top executives. A report in the LA Times links the resignations to the management style of Cardinal Roger Mahony. A spokesman for the Diocese disputes the report saying the executives are leaving for personal reasons.

### LA PORT HALT

# Oct 31, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:28)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that a federal appeals court ordered that construction be halted on a giant new terminal capable of handling more than 250 ships a year. Homeowners and environmentalists said an environmental report failed to assess the impact of the final project. A three-judge panel agreed and construction will stop for three months.

### **PUMPKIN FIRE**

# Oct 31, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:15)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that twenty people are homeless after candles in a Halloween pumpkin caught an apartment on fire. Investigators said that the pumpkins that started the fire were placed on a shelf in front of the apartments.

# **CHIEF MEETS CLERGY**

# Nov 1, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:21)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that Police Chief William Bratton and Mayor Jim Hahn met with religious leaders in Encino to discuss safety concerns in the neighborhood and the city at large. The new chief has promised to run the department with a "no tolerance" policy.

### **710 PILE UP**

# Nov 3, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:59)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that a massive 200-car pile up in Long Beach injured 41 people. There were two separate chain reaction pile-ups on the 710 Freeway. Reporter Nikki Jackson followed with a package on the massive pile-up.

### **DIAMOND RING RETURN**

# Nov 8, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:33)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that a Kentucky woman found a three-carat diamond ring on the floor of a parking garage. The woman had it appraised and learned it was worth \$30,000 and contacted police. Police returned the ring to a woman in Cincinnati who had reported the ring missing.

# **BRATTON URBAN**

# Nov 8, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:27)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that new LAPD Chief William Bratton wants to stop the strained the relations between the LAPD and the city's African-American community. Reporter Jennifer Davis followed with a package about Bratton's efforts to win over skeptical community leaders.

### **ICE SKATE RINK**

# Nov 11, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that Century City opened up an ice rink. It will be open seven days a week through February 15<sup>th</sup>. During the holidays, the ice rink will feature photos on the ice with Santa, carolers, festive music, and a children's winter village.

### **WASHER GIRL**

# Nov 13, 8-9pm newscast (TRT :35)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that a six-year-old girl is recovering after a stranger pulled her out of a spinning washing machine. The man who rescued her was but up by glass and the girl needed plastic surgery. The laundromat was closed down for code violations.

### **NURSES HEARING**

# Nov 15, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that nurses discussed the health department's nurse to patient ratios in the state's first public hearing on the matter. Reporter Jaime Garza was live in Los Angeles with details on the hearing.

### **VIRGIN OF GUADALUPE**

# Nov 15, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that worshippers gathered at the Church of the Holy Spirit to greet the arrival of an image of the Virgin of Guadalupe. The image will tour local parishes throughout the Los Angeles archdiocese for the next month.

### POLICE BRUTALITY

### Nov 20, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:50)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that a large group is protesting outside Parker Center to protest police brutality. The group says police shot and killed two boys who were not doing anything wrong. Police say the boys tried to run officers down with a car.

### **101 EXPANSION**

# Nov 21, 9-10pm newscast (TRT :33)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that people gathered to express concerns over a proposal to double deck a Southland freeway. The second deck would be 70 feet off the ground.

### SHOOTINGS/BRATTON

### Nov 25, 3-4pm newscast (TRT :33)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that William Bratton met with community leaders to discuss the wave of violent crimes occurring in Los Angeles. This year alone the city has had more than 600 murders and thousands of shootings.

### **TURKEY TROT**

Nov 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:04)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that over 7000 runners went to Dana Point to participate in the annual 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Turkey Trot. The Turkey Trot is the largest Thanksgiving race in California and the second largest in the country. The money raised will go to the Second Harvest Food Bank.

### PASADENA MEALS

### Nov 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :14)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that volunteers for Thanksgiving in the Park in Pasadena served thousands of turkey dishes to the poor and homeless. Reporter Suraya Fadel spoke with volunteers in a live report.

### **CHANUKAH**

### Nov 29, 3-4pm newscast (TRT :42)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that dozens gathered at the Beverly Hills Hotel for a Hannukah celebration. A rabbi told the story of Hannukah and why it is important to remember the history.

### **SANTA FIREMAN**

# Nov 29, 4-5pm newscast (TRT:24)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that Santa Claus arrived at the Anaheim Hills Festival in an antique fire engine. He took pictures with kids and received plenty of requests for presents. Money from photo purchases benefited the Anaheim Firefighter's Association.

# **20 YEARS OF APLA**

# Nov 30, 7-8pm Special (60 minutes)

KCAL9 was proud to present a one-hour special celebrating 20 years in the fight against AIDS with AIDS Project LA. This program was hosted by Oscar winner Tom Hanks and aired on both KCAL and KCBS.

### **WORLD AIDS DAY**

# Dec 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:08)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that churches and local activists marked the observance of World Aid's Day with events remembering those who died of the disease. Reporter Nikki Jackson followed with a package about the concern leaders in the black community have about the spread of the disease in their community.

### **CHICK HEARN ST**

Dec 3, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:39)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that 11<sup>th</sup> Street between Figueroa and Cherry was officially renamed Chick Hearn Court. Kobe Bryant, Derick Fisher, and Marge Hearn were joined by hundreds of fans at the ceremony.

### **FOOD BANK CRISIS**

### Dec 3, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:38)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that Southland food banks are facing challenges collecting donations and feeding people in need. Reporter Jaime Garza followed with a package on their struggles.

### **DEPUTY POWELL FUNERAL**

# Dec 6, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:33)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that LA County Sheriff's Deputy David Powell was laid to rest after hundreds of officers came to mourn his death. He was killed in the line of duty. Powell is survived by a wife, a 7-year-old daughter, and three adult stepdaughters.

### LAPD RESPONSE TEAM

# Dec 10, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:27)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that a new study shows that LAPD Officers are taking longer to respond to emergency calls and are making fewer arrests. The changes may have to do with the new Flex Schedule the officers have been on for the past year. Reporter Jay Jackson was live at Parker Center with more on the story.

### CHPS FOR KIDS

# Dec 13, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that the annual CHiP's for Kid's toy drive organized by the CHP was held to help make Christmas a little brighter for underprivileged children. On hand were members of KCAL9, KCBS, and KLSX Radio.

### CARDINAL LAW

# Dec 13, 3-4pm newscast (TRT 1:35)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that Pope John Paul accepted the resignation of Cardinal Bernard Law. Many people accused Law of protection pedophile priests. Reporter Michelle Gillen followed with a package from Rome.

# **ALIEN REGISTRATION**

# Dec 15, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:21)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that changes were made to a controversial federal anti-terrorism program. The changes require

men from certain countries to register with the INS. The government also dropped Armenians from the list of 19 nationalities that are considered at risk for terrorism.

### KCAL/KCBS SCHOOL

# Dec 19, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:24)

KCAL9 anchor Jaime Garza reported that employees at KCAL9 and KCBS2 joined members of the CHP to hand out presents to children at Sierra Park Elementary School in El Sereno. Sierra Elementary School is the adopted school of KCAL9 and KCBS2.

### TIME PERSON OF THE YEAR

# Dec 22, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:37)

KCAL9 anchor Jaime Garza reported that three women are sharing the honor as Time Magazine's persons of the year. On the cover of the magazine are whistleblowers Colleen Rowley, Cynthia Cooper, and Sherron Watkins. Each of the women took a stand to reveal problems within trusted institutions.

### POSADA EVENT

### Dec 22, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :28)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Ivar Hill Christmas Parade took place in Hollywood. The parade is a holiday giveaway for about 500 needy children and their families. The toys and food were donated to the Blessed Sacrament Church in Hollywood.

### SAFE HAVEN STICKER

# Dec 23, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:19)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that nine unwanted babies were dropped off at hospitals and fire stations instead of dumpsters because of the new Safe Haven law. Reporter Nikki Jackson followed with a package on how local officials are stepping up efforts to get the Safe Haven message out to everyone.

### **MAHONEY CHRISTMAS**

# Dec 25, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:14)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that Cardinal Roger Mahoney presided over mass at the newly opened cathedral in downtown Los Angeles. Reporter Suraya Fadel was in a live report from downtown with more information on the services.

### **MIDNIGHT MISSION**

# Dec 25, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :12)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that the lines at the Midnight Mission were long on Christmas Day where needy families are provided with a hearty meal and gifts. Reporter Alan Mendelson was live in downtown Los Angeles with details.

### **CAR DONATED**

# Dec 27, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:27)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that a mother in Corona is having a tough holiday season. Her six-year-old son has cancer and her car was recently stolen. Reporter Craig Fiegener followed with a package that showed how strangers came forward to help the woman.

### MARINES PREP

### Dec 27, 8-9pm newscast (TRT :09)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that marines throughout the county will be affected once the navy starts moving its ships. Reporter Paul Vercammen was live in Oceanside with reaction on the upcoming changes.

### **KWANZAA PARADE**

### Dec 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :25)

KCAL9 anchor Jaime Garza reported that people in Crenshaw celebrated Kwanzaa with a parade down Crenshaw Boulevard. Kwanzaa is a seven-day celebration of African-American heritage and culture. Events are scheduled for each night of the holiday.

### **NITE PASADENA**

# Dec 31, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:36)

KCAL9 reporter Lisa Sigell reported live from Pasadena where floats were rolling into place for the Rose Parade.

# **ENVIRONMENT**

#### TYPHOON HIGOS

## Oct 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:40)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that the Eastern coast of Japan was pounded by Typhoon Higos. Hundreds of homes were flooded and nearly a thousand residents were evacuated. This typhoon is one of the strongest to hit Japan since World War II.

#### **ICE STREAM FLOW**

## Oct 4, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:27)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that scientists discovered that an ice steam reversed its direction over the past 250 years. The discovery offers scientists an opportunity to study the Earth's development and the changing climate conditions.

#### **LILI TODAY**

### Oct 4, 4-5pm newscast (TRT :34)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that President Bush declared a state of emergency in Louisiana following destruction left by Hurricane Lili. The hurricane brought high winds and heavy rain to areas that were saturated by Tropical Storm Isidore.

#### SPACE OBJECT

## Oct 7, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:17)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that scientists at Caltech discovered a large spherical object on the outskirts of our solar system. The object is about half the size of Pluto and revolves around the sun in a circular orbit once every 288 years.

#### **SANTA CRUZ BUTTERFLIES**

## Oct 8, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:40)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that Monarch butterflies are on their annual migration along the California coast. The butterflies will spend the winter here and then move to Southern Canada in the spring.

#### **OC BUNNY SHOOT**

## Oct 11, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that some Mission Viejo residents are unhappy over an overpopulation of rabbits that is plaguing the area. Reporter Michael Brownlee followed with a package.

#### SHUTTLE LANDING

### Oct 18, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:40)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that the Space Shuttle Atlantis made a safe landing in Florida. The shuttle logged \$4.5 million during its construction mission to the International Space Station. Next month "The Endeavor" makes the trip.

#### **EARLY SNOW**

### Oct 18, 2-3pm newscast (TRT :16)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that the first snow of the season fell in North Dakota. More snow is expected to fall, but forecasters say it probably will not stay long since temperatures are expected to go back into the upper 30's.

#### MINN SNOW

#### Oct 21, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :30)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that as much as ten inches of snow fell in North Dakota, Minnesota, and Wisconsin causing car accidents and delaying school classes. In Bismarck, North Dakota the weather contributed to more than 100 accidents.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL GRADES**

### Oct 23, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:20)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that experts at UCLA graded how well the government and the public are dealing with important environmental issues. Los Angeles received a B+ for trash diversion, but the public received a D for its lack of interest int recycled water.

#### **AUSTRALIA DUSTSTORM**

# Oct 23, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:16)

KCAL9 weather caster Marti Skold reported that a dust storm visible from space swept across Australia. Local police reported that the dust reduced visibility as it spread across the Outback in Western Queensland and New South Wales state.

#### CHANNEL ISLANDS

### Oct 24, 3-4pm newscast (TRT :35)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that state officials decided to ban fishing around the Channel Islands. The ban will make the area one of the largest marine protected areas in the nation. Environmentalists say the ban is essential to revitalize the bio-diversity around the islands.

#### **VALLEY RAIN**

# Oct 25, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:14)

KCAL9 anchor Marti Skold reported that rain fell in parts of Southern California. According to a national weather service forecaster, four-tenths of an inch fell at Mount Wilson, three-tenths of an inch at Malibu, and a tenth of an inch at Los Angeles International Airport.

#### **HURRICANE KENNA**

# Oct 25, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:34)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that Hurricane Kenna arrived on Mexico's Pacific Coast. 140 mile per hour winds toppled street signs and knocked out electricity. Thousands of people have left the region.

#### **MT ETNA**

## Oct 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:24)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that Mount Etna erupted in Sicily shooting molten rock more than 300 feet into the air. The lava has descended more than five thousand feet. The eruptions are expected to last a few days.

#### **WHALE DEATHS**

# Oct 29, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:30)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that a San Francisco Court sided with conservationists that loud air gun blasts used in a project to map the ocean floor was hurting whales. A judge put a stop to the use of the guns. Federal lawyers disagree with the ruling and may appeal.

#### **EARTHQUAKE**

# Oct 29, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:14)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that a magnitude 4.5 earthquake struck Mojave. Authorities in San Bernardino said there were no reports of injuries or damage.

#### **400 YEAR OLD TREE**

## Nov 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:42)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that a 400-year-old Oak Tree in Pico Canyon is in danger of being cut down to make room for a road. The developer does not want to cut down the tree, but says the building of the road cannot be delayed indefinately.

#### **GIANT WAVES**

## Nov 4, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that waves along the coast saw breakers in the six to eight foot range and surfers at the Cortes Bank, 105 miles west of San Diego, rode waves that were over 35 feet from trough to crest. It was only the second time in history that the break at Cortes Bank has been ridden at such a significant size.

#### **FIRE RAIN AREAS**

## Nov 7, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:30)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that firefighters are concerned that areas that have been recently hit by fires may turn into dangerous mudslides with the approaching storm. Local firefighters are offering sandbags to homeowners.

#### **CLEAN BEACHES**

## Nov 12, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:26)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that runoff from recent storms has led to massive amounts of bacteria in the ocean especially near storm drains or creek outlets. Health officials say a "high bacteria" warning will remain in effect in Orange County until the end of today or tomorrow.

#### **MALIBU BRUSHER**

## Nov 13, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that a bush fire burned in a canyon in Malibu. It started as a half-acre fire and grew to four acres. Firefighters were able to put out the fire without any damage to nearby homes.

#### I.E. SMOG

# Nov 14, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:16)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that a report shows that bad weather and wildfires have only Los Angeles air quality worse. One Southland area has better air quality than usual. Inland Empire reporter Leanne Suter was live in Riverside with more.

#### LARGEST WAVES

# Nov 18, 9-10pm newscast (TRT :24)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that a triple crown of surfing events attracts surfers from all over the world to compete from November 12<sup>th</sup> until December 20<sup>th</sup>. The surfers will compete for \$750,000 in prize money. Some of the waves get as large as a small building.

#### METEOR SHOWER

## Nov 19, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :30)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that stargazers camped on top of Mount Wilson to catch a meteor shower. They saw a trail of debris left behind by the Comet Tempel-tuttle.

### **SICK SHIP AMATE**

# Nov 21, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:40)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that workers are mopping down Holland America's cruise ship "Amsterdam" after more than 500 people aboard became ill during four different Carribean cruises over the last two months. The passengers came down with the Norwalk Virus which causes stomach pain, diarrhea, and vomiting.

#### SPACE STATION

# Nov 25, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:20)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that the Space Shuttle Endeavor docked at the International Space Station. The crew will stay in space until March 2003.

#### **INLAND WINDS**

## Nov 26, 4-5pm newscast (TRT:20)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that the strong Santa Ana winds have toppled trees and even cars. Inland Empire Reporter Leanne Suter reported live from Mira Loma with more on the windy weather.

#### SPACE STATION

# Nov 29, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:26)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that a Russian Rocket Body reentered the Earth's atmosphere leaving a streak of fire that lit up the northwestern sky. None of the debris reached the Earth's surface.

#### TREE PICKETING

# Nov 29, 4-5pm newscast (TRT:50)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that Environmentalist John Quigly has been perched in a 400-year-old Oak tree for weeks. Quigly claims uprooting the tree will cause it to die. Members of the California Oak Foundation appealed to LA County Supervisor Mike Antonovich for help.

#### **WETLANDS BILL**

# Dec 2, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:35)

KCAL9 anchor Dilva Henry reported that President Bush signed legislation that extends a program where the Federal government matches donations from sportsmen, state wildlife, and landowners

pledging to protect the wetlands. Since 1981 the government has contributed \$462 million.

#### **ECLIPSE**

# Dec 4, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that a total solar eclipse attracted an audience of thousands. The moon crossed over the path of the sun bringing total darkness for about a minute and a half. The path of the total eclipse traveled from Africa and Mozambique across the Indian Ocean to Southern Australia where visibility was best.

#### **WINTER STORM**

# Dec 5, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:12)

KCAL9 anchor Joel Connable reported that 18 deaths are being balmed on a severe winter storm. Snow and rain have been falling for two days. A dozen states are suffering, but the Carolinas took the brunt of the storm. Reporter Eric Philips is live in Charlotte with more.

#### **BOSTON SNOW**

### Dec 6, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:22)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that snow fell in Massachusetts and also fell in an area stretching from Texas to Virginia. More than a million homes and businesses were without power for a day from Oklahoma to North Carolina.

### **AUSTRALIA FIRES**

# Dec 9, 9-10pm newscast (TRT :25)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that firefighters have been battling fierce fires around Sydney, Australia. Fires have scorched tens of thousands of acres. 50 homes have been destroyed and two men have been killed.

### **EL NINO**

# Dec 12, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:50)

KCAL9 weather caster Josh Rubenstein reported that another wet weather is headed our way. El Nino can be dangerous worldwide. It killed 25,000 people in 1997 and 1998. Josh followed with a package on El Nino.

#### POLAR BEARS

# Dec 12, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:24)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that two polar bears were introduced to their new habitat at a North Carolina Zoo. The bears were rescued from a Mexican circus after living in what some call

abusive conditions. The bears recovered and are enjoying a large pool and much better conditions.

### **SIERRA SNOW**

# Dec 17, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:20)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that Northern California was hit hard by pacific storms that brought heavy snow. There have been lots of accidents and an avalanche warning was put in effect for areas above the six thousand-foot level.

# MARINE DEATH/BACTERIA

# Dec 17, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:37)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that a lethal outbreak of bacteria at a San Diego Marine Corps Training Center hospitalized more than 125 recruits with the Streptococcus Bacters. One marine died and another remains in critical condition. The outbreak appears to be dwindling.

### **HIGH SURF**

## Dec 18, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:24)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that heavy surf along the coastline has led to a high surf warning. Weather caster Josh Rubenstein followed with complete details on the approaching winter storm that is causing the heavy surf.

### **EX CROP PROTECTION**

## Dec 19, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:35)

KCAL9 anchor Jaime Garza reported that Ventura County farmers are taking extra precautions to protect their produce form the rain and the cold. Wind machines were used for the first time this season to protect avocados and lemons. If it gets too cold, the inside of the fruit can be damaged.

### **GRAPEVINE**

# Dec 19, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:26)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that high winds are whipping through the Grapevine area. The winds mean dangerous driving conditions for trucks and other high profile vehicles. Parts of Southern California are under a winter storm warning.

#### WHITE CHRISTMAS

# Dec 24, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:32)

KCAL9 anchor Joel Connable reported several states in the southern part of the country will have a white Christmas. The snow is causing a lot of problems for holiday travelers. A package followed.

## **LAX STORM TRAVEL**

## Dec 26, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:34)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that travel plans at LAX were changed due to a massive snowstorm back East. Snow in the Northeast meant delays and cancellations for those flying in and out of the region. JFK and Laguardia airports in New York had to be closed causing much of the back up.

# **EDUCATION / YOUTH**

### **AMBER ALERT**

# Oct 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:32)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that the Amber Alert System has the potential of helping even more than it already has. The system is now available on-line. A package on the new on-line version followed.

#### **FOSTER CHILDREN**

### Oct 2, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :14)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that an audit found that nearly 500 children are missing from LA County's Foster Care System. Many of the missing kids are may have been abducted by relatives or may be runaways.

#### **MUSIC TO SCHOOLS**

## Oct 4, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:37)

KCAL9 anchor David Gonzales reported that the VH1 Save the Music Foundation presented \$75,000 worth of musician instruments and music instruction to John Muir Elementary School in Santa Monica. Since Save the Music was created in 1997 more than \$21 million worth of musical instruments were donated to schools.

#### **BEARS AT SCHOOL**

## Oct 8, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:50)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that a California Brown Bear and a Kodak Grizzly Bear visited children at Lakeside Middle School in Norwalk. Teachers said that both the bears had important lessons to teach the kids.

#### KID SAFETY

## Oct 9, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:32)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that the "We Care" Campaign aims to help keep children safe by giving parents and children information on how to avoid sexual predators. Reporter Angela Chee was live in Costa Mesa with more on the campaign.

## **PROJECT PLAYHOUSE**

# Oct 10, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:53)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that a dozen child-sized fantasy playhouses are going up for auction to benefit a Southland charity. Reporter Michele Gile followed with a package on "Project Playhouse."

### **\$9.2 MILLION SCHOOL**

# Oct 11, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:34)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that Salesian high School in Boyle Heights unveiled a \$9.2 million complex to be used for educational, cultural, and athletic events. The complex was made possible by donations and has been ten years in the making.

### **UCI WALKOUT**

# Oct 14, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:28)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that lecturers at five University of California campuses are staging a two-day walkout. The workers are fighting for higher salaries and job security. Reporter Jennifer Davis followed with a package.

#### **ANTI-GANGS**

## Oct 15, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:18)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that gang problems have skyrocketed since the Rampart Police Scandal. There is a new program that hopes to stop gang crimes by reaching out to San Fernando Valley kids. Reporter Jay Jackson was live in Sherman Oaks with more on this pilot program.

### **CASH FOR COLLEGE**

## Oct 17, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:42)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that Mayor Hahn announced the new "Cash for College" campaign at Marshall High School in Silver Lake. There are 13 times more jobs in the Southland for people with a college education.

### KIDS HELP SCULPT

## Oct 18, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:42)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that a life size sculpture of a saber tooth tiger is now at the La Brea Tar Pits. Sam Ballard sculpted the animal as scientists believe it really looked. Children who visited the museum were able to help Ballard sculpt the animal.

#### **TEENS ECSTASY**

# Oct 21, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:20)

KCAL9 anchor Dilva Henry reported that the drug Ecstasy has become more popular with teens. A new study shows that only one percent of parents think their children have tried the drug. Experts say that 12 in every hundred kids have used Ecstasy.

#### **ROSE QUEEN**

# Oct 22, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:45)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that Alexandra Wucetich will be the Rose Queen for the 114th Rose Parade and Bowl Game. She volunteers for a Leukemia Research Association and was the past president of the National Charity League.

### \$25,000 AWARD

# Oct 23, 4-5pm newscast (TRT:37)

KCAL9 anchor Syliva Lopez reported that teacher Jennifer Yoo was given the Milken National Educator Award. People cannot apply or nominate others for the award. Yoo is one of four teachers in California who received the award.

### **CAMPUS FIGHT**

# Oct 23, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:30)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that Sheriff Deputies were called to break up a lunch hour fight at Moreno High School that involved eight to ten students. The district put the school in lockdown.

#### **TEENS AND DRINKING**

## Oct 29, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:38)

KCAL9 anchor Dilva Henry reported that a new survey of 1800 teens found a correlation between parental involvement and teenage misbehavior. Experts believe a good preventive measure is to teach teens good decision making skills.

## **DRUGSTORE FOR KIDS**

# Oct 30, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:46)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that sixth and seventh graders from Monrovia were shown a series of presentations dramatizing a step in the life of student that uses drugs. The L.A. Impact Program puts on the program.

### **TEACHER RE-INSTATE**

# Oct 31, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:35)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that Pasadena teacher Scott Phelps wrote to other teachers saying African-Americans were the most poorly behaved students at Muir High School. Phelps was placed on leave pending an investigation, but was allowed back into the classroom.

#### WATTS CHILD CARE

## Oct 31, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:40)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that the Diane Feinstein Home for Child School Readiness not only watched young children, but also provides programs to help them be better students. The center received a million-dollar make over to serve as both a daycare and learning center for children in Watts.

#### **VELCRO MITTENS**

## Nov 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :35)

KCAL9 anchor Dilva Henry reported that Velcro might help your baby's development. Psychologists at Duke University found that Velcro mitts allow babies to grab objects and study them. The mitts should not be used all the time so that the baby can train their muscles to grip objects.

#### **TEACHER RACIST**

# Nov 4, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:08)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that Pasadena High School teacher Scott Phelps is back in the classroom after writing a letter to school administrators that was considered racist. Reporter Jennifer Davis followed with a package.

#### ATHEIST SCOUT

# Nov 5, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:40)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that a 19-year-old Eagle Scout is being removed form his troop for being an atheist. The Seattle, Washington council revoked his membership and said it respects his right to believe in God or not, but the Scout's oath contains the phrase "Duty to God" and scouts are expected to uphold it. The boy's family plans to appeal the decision.

#### **RACEWAY CAREER**

# Nov 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:28)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that the National Hot Rod Association staged its career opportunities fair for the 14<sup>th</sup> year now. Reporter Leanne Suter is live in Pomona with more on the fair.

#### **TITANIC CHILD**

# Nov 6, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:34)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that DNA tests have identified an infant buried in Nova Scotia as one of the youngest victims of the Titanic.

### **CEILING COLLAPSE**

## Nov 6, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:16)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that safety at a Pasadena Middle School is being questioned after part of a classroom ceiling came down. The plaster injured four children. Reporter Joel Connable was live in Pasadena with what is being done about safety at this school.

### **MISSING BOY**

# Nov 14, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that police asked for help to find a 16-month-old El Monte boy that was allegedly kidnapped by his father. Police say the child was abducted from his mother at gunpoint. The father is believed to be driving a dark, mid-sized vehicle.

### **SMART BABIES**

# Nov 14, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:34)

KCAL9 anchor Dilva Henry that there are a few things parents can do to increase their baby's brain development. Breast-feeding, sign language, and flash cards all appear to help children grow up a little smarter. Some experts think the benefit is due to increased parent-child interaction.

### LAST CHANCE TO LEAVE

# Nov 15, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 6:21)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that homeless families do not worry about education as much as finding food and shelter. Reporter Jay Jackson takes a look at the lives of these families in a package.

#### **WASHINGTON HS PR**

## Nov 19, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:07)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that gang fights, robbery, and prostitution are daily activities at Washington Prep High School.

Reporter Jay Jackson was live from South Los Angeles with more on this school's problems.

### **NEEDY KIDS SHOP**

### Nov 19, 2-3pm newscast (TRT :40)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that a Santa Monica Sears Department store opened early for kids ages five to seven who were given a \$100 shopping spree. The shopping spree was made possible through donations from the Salvation Army.

#### PRINCIPLE HONORED

### Nov 22, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:07)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that the City of Lynwood remembers School Administrator and former Principle Gary Beverly who was killed two years ago. Reporter Jay Jackson was live in Lynwood with more.

#### KIDS BURNED

### Dec 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :20)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that two children were injured when gasoline accidentally ignited inside a South Los Angeles home. The girl was in critical condition with facial burns and the boy suffered minor burns.

#### **HEALTHY KIDS**

## Dec 3, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:19)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that 700,000 children in Los Angeles do not have health insurance. There is a new program that hopes to improve these children's health. Reporter Jennifer Dave followed with package on the new program.

#### KIDS/CROSSING GUARD

### Dec 5, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:01)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that students gave a Yorba Linda crossing guard a special gift after her car was stolen. Reporter Nikki Jackson followed with a package on the story.

#### **TOY SHOPPING SPREE**

### Dec 6, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that needy Southland kids were given a two thousand dollar shopping spree at Toys 'R Us. The CHP chose the families as part of its annual CHiP's for Kids toy drive. KCAL and KBIG 104.3 help sponsor the toy giveaway.

#### **JORDAN H.S. FOLO**

## Dec 10, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:52)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that Jordan High School is closed after a military round from a nearby business landed on school grounds. Reporter Jennifer Davis followed with a package.

#### **BLIND CHILDREN'S X-MAS**

## Dec 10, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:34)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that kids from the Blind Children's Learning Center received a chance to play in the snow thanks to the staff at Maggiano's Restaurant. The workers pooled their tips to give these kids a chance to experience a day in the snow.

#### VIDEOTAPED BEATING

## Dec 12, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:31)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that Florida police say that 17-year-old Michael Lasher hit and kicked Matthew Dillingham as a dozen people watched and cheered. Police say a friend of the suspect videotaped the fight and then circulated it around the suspect's high school.

#### **UNIVERSITY FEES**

# Dec 13, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:35)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that Cal State University Trustees voted to raise student fees by as much as 15 percent. The increase is in anticipation of a \$125 million projected shortfall. Undergraduate students will pay \$72 more a semester.

#### **TEEN SMOKING**

## Dec 13, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:37)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that the annual report from the National Institute on Drug Abuse found that smoking rates among high school seniors is at its lowest level since 1975. Eighth and tenth grade smoking rates are also down.

#### **TEEN DRUGS**

## Dec 13, 12-1pm newscast (TRT :24)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that a new study shows that drug use and drinking is down among American teenagers. Researchers say 9/11 terrorist attacks may have had an effect on young people.

#### **SHOES AND TOYS**

# Dec 15, 4-5pm newscast (TRT:33)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that the Hawthorne Police Department sponsored a shoe and toy give away for children at the Hawthorne School District. About 150 children received gifts.

#### **HELMET LAW**

# Dec 13, 4-5pm newscast (TRT:40)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that Santa, representatives from the Automobile Club of Southern California, and CHP officers joined together to urged parents to comply with a new state helmet law. The new law required anyone 18 years and younger to wear a bicycle helmet when riding a non-motorized scooter, skateboard, roller skates, or in-line skates.

### **GANG INJUCTION**

# Dec 15, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:39)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that an injunction has been filed that would ban known members of the Avenues gang from gathering in groups anywhere within a ten mile safety zone in Highland park, Cypress Park, Glassell Park, and part of Montecito Heights.

### **TOYS OF XMAS PAST**

# Dec 15, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:29)

KCAL9 anchor Jaime Garza reported that parents are stressing out trying to find the season's hottest toy for their kids. Reporter Sean Callebs follows with a package about what happens to all the toys that are no longer as popular with children.

## **SKID ROW XMAS**

# Dec 22, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:31)

KCAL9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that some people are helping to bring holiday cheer at a mission on Skid Row. Reporter Nikki Jackson followed with a package.

## SICK CRUISE

# Dec 23, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that the Carnival cruise line suspended its Camp Carnival program for kids after children aboard the cruise liner Spirit got sick. One spokesperson describes the illness as gastro-intestinal incidents.

#### **SANTA ESSAY**

## Dec 25, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:21)

KCAL9 anchor Joel Connable reported that photojournalist Robert Pastoriza caught up with Santa as local kids told him all their Christmas wishes. A package on the story followed.

#### KIDS FLOAT DECORATION

### Dec 27, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:29)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that some kids battling life-threatening illnesses got to help put the finishing touches on one of the floats that will be featured in the Tournament of Roses parade. Reporter Darryl Hood followed with a package.

#### **BAND REHEARSL**

## Dec 27, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:42)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that the LA Unified School District's Honor band is preparing for the Tournament of Roses Parade. LA Unified Students have participated in the parade for the past 30 years.

#### **BOY FOUND**

## Dec 29, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:34)

KCAL9 anchor Jaime Garza reported that 5-year-old Hector Jesus Gonzales was found in Phoenix, Arizona with his estranged mother Lourdes Hernandez. The boy disappeared from his grandmother's home yesterday. The mother now faces charges of parental abduction.

# **CONSUMER ISSUES & ECONOMICS**

#### **SMOKING FEE**

# Oct 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:07)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that Los Angeles County workers may have to pay ten dollars a month over and above the cost of cigarettes in order to smoke. Reporter Cater Lee followed with a package.

#### PRODUCE MARKET

# Oct 1, 9-10pm newscast (TRT :34)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that people might soon feel the effects of the Longshoreman's Lockout. Brokers are running out of bananas, pineapples, and other importer fruits and vegetables.

#### HARBOR TODAY

# Oct 4, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:25)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that talks between the Dockworkers Union and the shipping lines are taking place. Until a resolution is met, the container ships have nowhere to go. Food is rotting inside the ships and railroad have halted grain shipments because there is no food to deliver.

### **HOTEL FURNITURE**

# Oct 8, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:55)

KCAL9 money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that the Hotel Surplus Outlet in Los Angeles sells quality used furniture. This liquidator gets furniture from top hotels when they change their decor.

## **ANGELS MEMORABILIA**

# Oct 11, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:49)

KCAL9 money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that people who have purchased Angels' memorabilia might enjoy some profits as the team continues to win.

## **HOUSEHOLD FINANCIAL**

# Oct 11, 8-9pm newscast (TRT :40)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that Household International's HFC and Beneficial Branches were accused of misleading and overcharging their clients. The company has agreed to pay a record \$484 million in restitution.

#### **MORTGAGE RATE**

## Oct 11, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:20)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that now may be a good time to refinance your home. Rates on 30-year mortgages have dropped to their lowest level in 41years. The average nationwide interest rate on 30 year fixed rate mortgages is 5.98 percent.

#### MINIVAN RECALL

# Oct 15, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:26)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that the 2002 Dodge Grand Caravan and the Chyrstler Town and County were recalled in order to fix a fuel leak problem. Some of the joints on the fuel tank control valve were not welded together causing leakage and possibly fire.

#### INFLATION

### Oct 18, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:47)

KCAL9 money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that Social Security recipients will get a cost of living increase of just 1.4 percent in their monthly checks. That is the smallest increase in four years. The typical retiree will get an extra \$13 per month.

## **GIFT CERTIFICATES**

# Oct 18, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:08)

KCAL9 money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that a state law that took effect in 1997 says that gift certificates cannot have expiration dates. A lawsuit has been brought against several major retailers in the state because they still have expiration dates on their gift certificates.

#### **MORTGAGE HELP**

## Oct 23, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:58)

KCAL9 money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that the mortgage market has changed and a bankruptcy will not lock out a loan. Interest rates will still be higher than people without credit problems, but in two years if you make all your payments, then you can work on lowering your rate.

#### **PORT BACKLOG**

### Oct 25, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:45)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that the port dispute is heating up again with Federal prosecutors threatening to take the Longshoremen's Union to court. Prosecutors say dockside workers are engaging in a slowdown despite a federal order to work at a normal pace.

#### **INDIAN GAMING**

### Oct 30, 4-5pm newscast (TRT:36)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that over 100 members of nine Southern California Tribal Governments presented the state one billion dollars. This money is the tribe's contribution toward a special fund with money going to help the infrastructure, schools, and other facilities in and around the casinos.

#### **HOLIDAY SHOPPING**

## Oct 30, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:18)

KCAL9 money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that Bank One expects overall retail sales to rise about four percent in November and December from a year ago. Clothing sales could rise about six percent during the holiday season. Consumers have been frugal with their spending which means there might be a spurt in spending now.

#### CA/VEGAS TRAIN

### Oct 30, 2-3pm newscast (TRT :26)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that a Mag Lev train may soon be used to go from Los Angeles to Las Vegas. The train goes 300 miles per hour and could cut the trip from five hours to 90 minutes.

#### **LIQUIDATIONS**

# Oct 31, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that business is better than a year ago for liquidator Santa Fe Seconds because of the sluggish economy. They carry many items like TV and VCR players, Christmas trees, vacuum cleaners, clothes, and other items. The pricing is 30 to 50 percent cheaper than retail stores.

#### TRAVEL DEALS

# Nov 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:48)

KCAL9 money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that the internet company Car Rental Dot Com has found a way to stay in business. The company keeps their overhead low by having only one employee and running the business out of the den of their house. Other ecommerce giants have failed because they had big warehouses and high overhead.

#### WATCHES

## Nov 4, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:55)

KCAL9 money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that the Valencia Time Center Mall in Santa Clarita stocks Citizen watches at 35 percent off retail. The store also carries Seiko watches and Suunto G-9 Golf watches at a discount.

#### **VEGAS DEALS**

## Nov 7, 3-4pm newscast (TRT 1:49)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that there are great deals available for a weekend getaway to Vegas. Reporter Lora McLaughlin followed with a package.

#### **DISNEY PRICES**

## Nov 7, 12-1pm newscast (TRT:30)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that prices are going up at Disneyland. Annual passes will go up six dollars making them 105 dollars. One-day ticket prices will stay the same.

#### **BIODIESEL**

### Nov 8, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:27)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that Biodiesel is the fastest growing alternative fuel in the country. The fuel is almost 100 percent cleaner than gas. Reporter Lilian Kim followed with a package.

#### **SLOW SALES**

## Nov 11, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:49)

KCAL9 money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that many companies are now selling direct to the public at discounted prices to keep merchandise moving. Several hundred companies will be at the Pomona Fairplex for an overstock blowout show.

#### **HISTORIC KNIFE**

## Nov 14, 9-10pm newscast (TRT :36)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that somebody paid \$300,000 for a giant bowie knife that was carried by Sam Houston in the 1836 Battle of San Jacinto. An anonymous Dallas man won the knife with a bid over the phone.

#### TAX REFUNDS

### Nov 15, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:57)

KCAL9 money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that the IRS has a list of taxpayers who are owed money, but their refund checks cannot be delivered. The people cannot be found because they have moved or married. Nearly 4800 taxpayers in LA County alone are due checks.

## PORT DELAYS

Nov 18, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:46)

KCAL9 money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that the after effects of the Port Strike and Lockout are still being felt. Shipping traffic is at its lowest level in thirty years.

#### **DELTA FARE**

# Nov 20, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:22)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that Delta Airlines is unveiling a new airline to provide its customers with a lower fare. The new cut rate carrier will have a fleet of thirty-six 757's and will be available next year.

### **METROLINK PASS**

# Nov 20, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:22)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that Metrolink is giving its regular riders a holiday discount of 25 percent. The discount is also a way to entice commuters who ride alone to try Metrolink.

#### **HOME SALES**

# Nov 25, 3-4pm newscast (TRT:34)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that the cost of owning a home in Los Angeles is on the rise again. That is up 18  $\frac{1}{2}$  percent from last year. Statewide the cost of a house is just over \$322,000.

### **LEATHER COATS**

# Nov 25, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:01)

KCAL9 money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that Leather Town is cutting some of its prices to under what they were last year. A four-button men's car coat is selling for only \$99.99. The cuts are due to overproduction.

### DROP SHIPPING

# Nov 27, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:43)

KCAL9 money reporter Alan Mendelson reported that Robyn Hudson is a single mom who set up her own electronics store for next to nothing. The store is on the internet and she runs the company from her house. She is a drop shipper and just makes sure the online orders get to the companies she has deals with.

### **BUDGET INMATES**

# Nov 29, 9-10pm newscast (TRT :30)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that lawmakers are considering a plan to trim state spending by letting some inmates out of prison. The state senate leader has suggested letting non-citizen inmates serve

the rest of their sentences in their home county. A plan to allow non-violent offenders out early is drawing even more controversy.

#### **UNITED PILOTS LAYOFF**

## Dec 3, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:22)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that United Airlines will lay off more than 350 pilots by February. That will bring the total number of laid off pilots to 1200. United is reportedly losing up to \$8 million a day.

### **DRY CLEANING DECISION**

## Dec 6, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:34)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that air quality officials have voted to ban a solvent that dry cleaners use called Perc. The AQMD board ultimately agreed that Perc is a dangerous chemical that presents a threat to health and the environment. The ban covers most parts of LA, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties.

#### SICK CRUISE

# Dec 6, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:28)

KCAL9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that several passengers and crewmembers became sick on the cruise ship Fascination during a trip to Mexico. Tests will be done to determine if it is the flu-like Norwalk Virus.

#### **UAL CEO AT LAX**

# Dec 10, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:16)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that United Airlines is trying to reassure passengers and employees that its planes will continue to fly the "friendly skies." This announcement follows the airlines filing the largest bankruptcy in aviation history. Reporter Sandra Mitchell was live at LAX with more on United's PR Campaign.

#### **STATE BOND RATING**

# Dec 12, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:40)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that Wall Street downgraded the State's credit rating. The downgrade follows Governor Davis' announcement that the state is facing a \$35 billion dollar budget deficit.

### **VENTURA NORTH**

## Dec 12, 9-10pm newscast (TRT:29)

KCAL9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that the heavy rains are causing big problems for strawberry farmers in Ventura County. One farmer says he lost ten percent of his berry crop. Last El Nino Season, Ito

Brothers Farms lost 70 percent of its strawberries during the month of February.

#### **POWER OUTAGES**

#### Dec 13, 2-3pm newscast (TRT :32)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that the CHP is escorting traffic over a portion of Interstate 5 because of strong winds. In the Antelope Valley about 12,000 Southern California Edison customers are without power. Palmdale, Quartz Hill, and Acton are all affected as well.

#### **FIRE HOME SAFETY**

## Dec 13, 4-5pm newscast (TRT:40)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that firefighters and burn center doctors were at Grossman Burn Center to demonstrate how dangerous a dry Christmas tree can be. Never put a tree near a source of fire, check for any frayed wires, and do not overload wiring.

#### **OLDER DRIVER SAFE**

## Dec 19, 8-9pm newscast (TRT:28)

KCAL9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that state officials are launching a new campaign aimed at keeping elderly drivers safe. Among other things the campaign will educate family and friends on signs that its time for an elderly person to stop driving.

#### **MAILING PKGS**

## Dec 22, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:02)

KCAL9 anchor Jaime Garza reported that the last weekend before Christmas means holiday madness everywhere. Reporter Katherine Blake was live in Westchester with more on the crowds.

#### **DESPERATE**

# Dec 23, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:52)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that at some charities giving is in short supply this holiday season. Reporter Parul Vercammen was live in Downtown Los Angeles with more on the story.

#### RETAIL MARKDOWN

## Dec 23, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:34)

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that stores are slashing prices before Christmas to get consumers to buy more. Reporter Leyna Nguyen was live at the Glendale Galleria with the lowdown on the deals.

#### **POSTAL DELIVERIES**

# Dec 25, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 anchor Joel Connable reported that some postal workers who have to work on Christmas are getting into the spirit by playing Santa. Reporter Lora McLaughlin followed with a package.

#### TAX TIPS N.2

### Dec 27, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:20)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that now is the time to start thinking of ways to get tax breaks for 2003. The IRS is also cracking down even more on tax cheats. Reporter Sean Callebs followed with a package.

#### **TIPSY TOW DRIVER**

### Dec 31, 2-3pm newscast (TRT:28)

KCAL9 anchor Dilva Henry reported that the Automobile Club is offering a free seven-mile town for people who get drunk on New Year's Eve. The service is offered between six at night and six in the morning. Reservations will not be taken and the only acceptable destination will be the driver's home.

#### **NEW LAWS**

### Dec 31, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:59)

KCAL9 anchor Jaime Garza reported that a lot of new laws will be going into effect concerning wire taps, college tuition, and investor protection. The new laws have to do with terrorism and corporate fraud. Reporter Darryl Hood was live in the newsroom with details.

#### BAGGAGE SCREENING

## Dec 31, 10-11pm newscast (TRT:30)

KCAL9 anchor Mia Lee reported that all checked baggage will be screened at LAX for explosives at every airport in the Country. LAX now has nearly 200 trace detection units and 58 cat scan machines in place to identify explosive residue.